Education and Workforce Development Cabinet

Jobless rates down in 68 counties from November 2009 to November 2010

Press Release Date: Wednesday, December 22, 2010

Contact Information:

EDITOR'S NOTE: November's preliminary and October's revised county unemployment rate charts are posted at http://workforce.ky.gov/Nov10charts.pdf. Acrobat Reader is required to view charts. To download Acrobat Reader, please see the end of this news release.

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Dec. 22, 2010) — Unemployment rates fell in 68 Kentucky counties between November 2009 and November 2010, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Woodford County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the Commonwealth at 7.4 percent. It was followed by Fayette County, 7.8 percent; Oldham County, 8 percent; Calloway County, 8.1 percent; Carlisle and Larue counties, 8.3 percent each; and Franklin, Hopkins, Jessamine, Madison, Robertson and Warren counties, 8.4 percent each.

Magoffin County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate — 18.3 percent. It was followed by Jackson County, 16.5 percent; McCreary County, 14.6 percent; Powell County, 14 percent; Menifee County, 13.9 percent; Clay County, 13.8 percent; Grayson, Lewis and Wayne counties, 13.7 percent; and Leslie County, 13.5 percent.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks. The statistics in this news release are not seasonally adjusted to allow for comparisons between United States, state and county figures. Learn more about the Office of Employment and Training at www.workforce.ky.gov.

(30)

Click http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html to download Acrobat Reader.